

IN THE CLAIMS

1. (Currently Amended) A ~~ski or snowboard~~gliding board comprising:
a ~~tip, a tail, top and bottom and edges that can be removed and replaced in~~
sectionsboard body; and
a plurality of edge sections, each of the edge sections being removable from and
replaceable to, the board body.
2. (Currently Amended) A ~~ski or snowboard~~gliding board according to claim 1, ~~where the edges or edge sections can be made of~~comprising metal, plastic or composite materials.
3. (Currently Amended) A ~~ski or snowboard~~gliding board according to claim 2 where the edge sections can be inter-matched.
4. (Currently Amended) A ~~ski or snowboard~~gliding board according to claim 3 ~~where~~wherein the ~~edges or~~ edge sections can vary in flexibility ~~to complement a ski or snowboard.~~
5. (Currently Amended) A ~~ski or snowboard~~gliding board according to claim 4 ~~where~~1, wherein one or more of the edge shape will vary depending on the edges
purposesections have dull edges for sliding and grinding.
6. (Currently Amended) A ~~ski or snowboard~~gliding board according to claim 1, ~~where the edge mounting system will vary to accommodate different skis and snowboards. The method of fitting and securing edges may consist of:~~further comprising
one or more of screws, bolts, nuts, clips, ~~tongue and~~ tongue-and-groove and ~~any other~~
~~method that may be needed to accommodate specific ski and snowboard designs for~~
mounting the edge sections to the board body.
7. (Currently Amended) A ~~ski or snowboard~~gliding board comprising:
a ~~tip, a tail, top bottom~~board body;
edges; and

one or more grind plate/s that can be removed and replaced plates disposed laterally with respect to the edges, and removably and replaceably attached to the board body.

8. (Currently Amended) A ~~ski or snowboard~~gliding board according to claim 7, ~~where the one or more grind plate/s plates may be made of~~comprising one or more of metal, plastic or composite materials.

9. (Currently Amended) A ~~ski or snowboard~~gliding board according to claim ~~8 where~~7, wherein flexibility of the one or more grind plate/s plates can vary in flexibility to complement a ~~ski or snowboard~~the board.

10. (Currently Amended) A ~~ski or snowboard~~gliding board according to claim 7, further comprising one or more of ~~where the mounting system for the grind plate/s may consist of: screws, bolts, nuts, clips, tongue and~~ tongue-and-groove and any other method needed to accommodate specific ski and snowboard designs for mounting the grind plates to the board body.

11. (New) A gliding board according to claim 1, wherein at least one of the edge sections comprises a first material and at least one other of the edge sections comprises a second material.

12. (New) A gliding board according to claim 2, the edge sections comprising composite materials.

13. (New) A gliding board according to claim 7, the grind plates mounting substantially flush with the edges along a bottom surface of the board so that the grind plates protect the edges during grinding.

14. (New) A gliding board according to claim 7, the grind plates mounting along a center region of the board body.

15. (New) A method of modifying a gliding board, comprising removing a first set of edge sections from the board, selecting a second set of edge sections for installation on the board, and installing the second set of edge sections on the board.

16. (New) The method of claim 15, the board being configured to utilize a complete set of edge sections, the first set of edge sections consisting of fewer edge sections than the complete set.

17. (New) The method of claim 15, the first set of edge sections comprising one or more damaged edge sections.

18. (New) The method of claim 15, the first set of edge sections having different performance characteristics than the second set.

19. (New) The method of claim 15, the first set of edge sections having different durability characteristics than the second set.

20. (New) A method of modifying a gliding board, comprising installing a set of grind plates on the board to protect a set of edges of the board during sliding and grinding of the board, and removing the grind plates from the board for use of the board on snow.